UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

SHANE T. ROBBINS,

Petitioner,

-vs-

Case No. 15-C-1343

WILLIAM POLLARD, Warden, Waupun Correctional Institution,

Respondent.

DECISION AND ORDER

Pro se Petitioner Shane T. Robbins, a state prisoner, seeks leave to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 2) on his petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant 28 U.S.C. § 2254.

To authorize a litigant to proceed *in forma pauperis*, the Court must make two determinations: first, whether the litigant is unable to pay the costs of commencing the action; and second, whether the action is frivolous or malicious. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1915(a)(1) and (e)(2). With respect to Robbins' ability to pay the \$5.00 filing fee, his inmate trust statement discloses that his regular account balance is \$84.81, with average monthly deposits for the past six months of \$128.44, Thus, despite his child support obligations, Robbins demonstrates an ability to pay the fee for filing this action.

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Therefore, Robbins' motion for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* is denied. Robbins is advised that if he does not pay the fee by the stated deadline, this action will be dismissed without further order of the Court. *See* Civil L.R. 41(c).

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED ON THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Robbins' motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 2) is **DENIED**.

Robbins must pay the \$5.00 filing fee no later than December 14, 2015.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 13th day of November, 2015.

BY THE COURT:

HON. RUDOLPH T. RAND.

U.S. District Judge